Stand-Alone Prescription Drug Plans Eligible to Receive Auto-Enrolled Beneficiaries In Alabama (PDP Region 12)

Data as of September 18, 2005

Organization Name:

- Coventry Health and Life Insurance Company/First Health Life and Health Insurance Company (1-800-882-3822))
- HealthSpring, Inc. HealthSpring of Alabama, Inc. (1-888-583-3346)
- Humana Insurance Company (1-800-281-6918)
- Medco Containment Life Insurance Company (1-800-758-3605)
- QCC Ins Co D/B/A AmeriHealth Inc. Company (1-866-282-3235)
- Unicare (1-866-892-5335)
- United Health Care Insurance Company (1-888-867-5564)
- Wellcare Health Plans(1-888-423-5252)

8 Total Plans eligible for auto-enrollees

2006 Low-income Premium Subsidy Amount

Region 12 State - AL, TN Subsidy amount - \$32.33

<u>Transition of Dual Eligibles</u>

As a part of the transition for duals, CMS required each Medicare prescription drug plans to include at least a one-time fill of a prescription excluded from the plan's formulary in order to accommodate situations in which a beneficiary presents at a participating pharmacy with a prescription he or she has previously filled but that is not on the formulary.

CMS has developed exception procedures designed to ensure that enrollee receive prompt decisions regarding whether medications are medically necessary. For example, if an enrollee requests a non-formulary drug, the plan must make its decision as expeditiously as the enrollee's health condition requires after it receives the request, but no later that 24 hours for an expedited coverage determination or 72 hours for a standard coverage determination.

If a beneficiary presents at a pharmacy with evidence of both Medicaid and Medicare eligibility, but without current enrollment in Part D plan, the beneficiary will be able to leave the pharmacy with their prescriptions and a CMS contractor will immediately follow up to validate eligibility and facilitate enrollment into a Part D plan.